

## ALESHIRE NAMED A FLOOR LEADER

Chosen by the Administration  
Woodmen as Head of Com-  
mittee of Five.

## CAUCUS HELD IN EVENING

Decided to Go into State Camp With-  
out a Complete Cut and  
Dried Program.

Administration Woodmen delegates  
caucused last night at the New Har-  
per at 8 o'clock. Frederick Reynolds,  
Rockford attorney, was chairman.  
Floor action in today's convention,  
including the manner of handling con-  
tests, was discussed. Candidates also  
made addresses and gave their atti-  
tude on convention policies.

On motion of Stephen J. Collins of  
Rock Island, a steering committee of  
five to direct the floor action of the  
administration forces was named, be-  
ing composed of Oscar Aleshire, Chi-  
cago; Grant Taylor, Flat Rock; Osce-  
ola McNemar, El Paso; S. J. Collins,  
Rock Island, and W. E. L. Fox, Thomp-  
sonville. This committee will arbi-  
trate delegate contests unless the con-  
vention disregards rules of order.

Much doubt existed as to whether  
the administration delegates would re-  
main in the convention longer than to  
hear the report of the credentials com-  
mittee. The steering committee  
should the convention proceed to the  
selection of delegates to the head  
camp, was instructed to fight for the  
naming of delegates to the head meet-  
ing according to the precedent of con-  
gressional district choice.

Mr. Aleshire stated his willingness  
to support the insurgent candidates  
for state consul and state clerk. He  
said he had no desire to set up men  
in opposition to the insurgents' choice,  
providing the caucus unanimously con-  
curred in the policy. "We might be  
able to name better candidates for  
those offices and we might not," said  
Mr. Aleshire.

Brings Protests.  
The speech of Mr. Aleshire was fol-  
lowed by a protest in many quarters.  
Many of the delegates did not want  
to concede a point to the insurgents.  
Several of the delegates favored the  
nomination of a state consul and state  
clerk because the faction would be  
accountable at the head camp for  
moves it made in the state camp.

"If we concur in the insurgent nom-  
inations we are utterly helpless to pro-  
test at the head camp on issues affect-  
ed by our possible failure to name  
opposing candidates for state consul  
and state clerk," said one delegate.

A plan to go to the convention floor  
without rival candidates for state con-  
sul and state clerk, but to refuse to  
vote for these two offices, was also  
proposed and lost. S. J. Collins then  
suggested the appointment of steering  
committees to decide the faction's  
stand for the selection of candidates  
for the two offices. This committee  
was to be final on matters of floor ac-  
tion in today's meeting.

Speeches followed by Director S. S.  
Tanner, Assistant Head Clerk James  
McNamara, and Editor F. O. Van Gal-  
der.

## ATTENTION BOYS.

M. & K. Will Give an Amusing Toy to  
Boys on Saturday Morning.  
On Saturday morning between 8:30  
and 9:00 o'clock M. & K. will give  
ABSOLUTELY FREE a most amusing  
and entertaining toy to each boy who  
will come to the store after it. The  
toy is one from which boys will get  
much fun.

Remember this, boys, that not a one  
will be given before 8:30 a. m. and  
none after 9:00 a. m. so if you want  
one you must be on time.—(Adv.)

Notice for Bids.  
Sealed bids will be received by the  
village of Matherville at Hebbell  
Bro's hardware store, up to 5 o'clock  
on the 15th day of May, for the pur-  
pose of erecting a five thousand dollar  
local meeting hall. Any one wishing  
to see plans and specifications will get  
them at the store. Apply to Mark  
Knott, secretary of building commit-  
tee.—(Adv.)

The bulk of the line used on the  
island of Martinique is made of a  
madrepore stone or reef coral which  
is taken from the bottom of the sea.

## 30,000 VOICES!

And Many Are the Voices of Rock  
Island People.

Thirty thousand voices—what a  
grand chorus! And that's the num-  
ber of American men and women  
who are publicly praising Doan's  
Kidney Pills for relief from back-  
ache, kidney and bladder ills. They  
say it to their friends. They tell it in  
the home papers. Rock Island people  
are in this chorus. Here's a Rock  
Island case:

Mrs. E. Weiss, 823 Fourth avenue,  
Rock Island, Ill., says: "All I say in  
praise of Doan's Kidney Pills still  
holds good. I had been troubled by  
kidney disorders for some time.  
There was an acute pain across the  
small of my back which made it hard  
for me to bend or do any lifting. I  
had headaches and dizzy spells. A  
member of my family had been cur-  
ed of an attack of kidney complaint  
by Doan's Kidney Pills so I decided  
to try them. After the first few  
doses I got relief and soon I was free  
from the trouble."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50  
cents. Foster-Milburn company,  
Buffalo, New York, sole agents for  
the United States.  
Remember the name—Doan's—  
and take no other.—(Advertisement)

## WELCOMES WOODMEN DELEGATES TO CITY



Mayor H. M. Schriver.

## BANDS LIVE THE EVENING PROGRAM

Insurgents Draw the Larger  
Crowd and Have Parade in  
Business Streets.

Second avenue in front of the Rock  
Island house was the center of Wood-  
men activity last evening, when sev-  
eral thousand people crowded the  
streets, attracted by the music of two  
bands and the presence of many vis-  
itors. Stroehle's band discoursed a pro-  
gram in the street near the Rock Is-  
land house and headed a parade of  
insurgent delegates which proceeded  
through the streets in the business  
part of the city. The music was kept  
up till 10 o'clock. During the evening  
the leaders favored The Argus with a  
serenade.

In front of the New Harper there  
was a concert program given by Hugo  
Stoetereau's Tri-City band, which also  
attracted a crowd. The insurgents in  
their parade passed the place where  
the administration demonstration was  
in progress, but there was no disorder.  
In fact, for a convention of its size,  
with so large a number of visitors in  
the city, the Modern Woodmen state  
camp has proven about the most or-  
derly ever held here.

During the evening the Foresters'  
team of Independence camp 26 of  
Rock Island, which will be a contender  
for the prizes at the Toledo head camp,  
gave an exhibition drill in front of the  
New Harper.

## BOAT CLUB TO MEET TO PLAN FOR SEASON

The regular monthly meeting of the  
Island City Boating association will be  
held tomorrow evening at the club  
house at the foot of Twelfth street.  
Several committees who have been  
working on plans for the coming sea-  
son will make a report.

## "MISSOURI MEERSCHAUM" PIPES FREE THIS WEEK

Local Tobacco Dealers Make Valuable  
Gifts to Customers.

Every smoker in town who within  
the next few days purchases from  
local dealers a 5c package of Patter-  
son's Seal, will receive free a  
"Missouri Meerschaum"—the corn cob  
pipe de luxe. As smokers familiar  
with cob pipes are aware, nothing else  
gives so sweet a smoke. Unlike the  
old-time cob, this "Missouri Meers-  
chaum" is finely made and durable. It  
is also fitted with a stem of imported  
German Weichsel wood, which is  
aromatic and adds to the fragrance of  
the smoke.

The gift of these pipes, through the  
local tobacco dealers, is made to in-  
sure a trial of Patterson's Seal Cut  
Plug by every smoker because of the  
belief on the part of the manufactur-  
ers that smokers generally will con-  
tinue using this brand after becoming  
acquainted with it.

Patterson's Seal Cut Plug Burley is  
made from ripe, mellow Kentucky  
Burley tobacco, aged to bring out the  
mildness, sweetness and fragrance of  
the Burley leaf. Patterson's Seal is  
the kind of tobacco that can be  
smoked all day long, all year 'round,  
with complete enjoyment. It smokes  
to perfection in this free corn cob  
pipe.—(Adv.)

## Inflammatory Rheumatism Quickly Relieved.

Morton L. Hill of Lebanon, Ind.,  
says: "My wife had inflammatory  
rheumatism in every muscle and  
joint; her suffering was terrible and  
her body and face were swollen al-  
most beyond recognition; had been  
in bed for six weeks and had eight  
physicians, but received no benefit  
until she tried Dr. Detchon's Relief  
for Rheumatism. It gave immediate  
relief and she was able to walk in  
three days. I am sure it saved her  
life." Sold by Otto Grotjan, 1501 Sec-  
ond avenue, Rock Island, and Gust  
Schlegel & Son, 220 Second street,  
Davenport.—(Adv.)

Caleb Chapman, a gypsy, acts as in-  
structor to a basket-making class at  
Bushbridge, near Godalming, England,  
which has been established to revive  
a village industry, and is attended by  
34 men and women.

## Thursday—Still Greater Opportunities in

# NEW TAILORED SUITS

## The Most Important May Event



Alterations  
Made Free

THE magnitude of our business necessitates the carrying of immense stocks. Summer goods are coming in must have room and have it quickly. To obtain it quickly. To obtain it we have been compelled to go through our lines and mark the GARMENTS MOST IN DEMAND at quick clear-away prices. We do not recall any time in our history when we could serve you with such new, desirable apparel at such low prices. Items mentioned are merely suggestive of thousands of thousands of attractive bargains.

Tailored Suits  
Worth to \$16.50, Now Priced

**\$8.89**

Tailored Suits  
Worth to \$22.50, Now Priced

**\$12.89**

Tailored Suits  
Worth to \$40, Now Priced

**\$19.89**

To hundreds of garments which have been repriced from our regular stock we offer for Thursday over 200 very high class suits which have just come to us from a manufacturer famous for the style, fit and tailoring of the garments he produces. They are practically the best that are to be had, regardless of price.

Every suit is a refined, beautiful, desirable garment. The styles include BOLERO BLOUSE EFFECTS, ETONS and CUTAWAY FRONTS, and selections may be made for street wear, semi-dress, lake trips or inland journeys. Among the materials to be had are Silk Moire, Silk Poplin, Gabardines, Novelty Crepes and fine Serges.

Colors include every desirable shade, leather tans, new greens, handsome blues and browns, navy, black and checks. The linings are fine and serviceable—all silk peau de cygne or Dutchess satin. PRACTICALLY EVERY WOMAN CAN BE FITTED. The usual sizes from 34 to 44 and suits for stouter figures up to 52. A personal inspection will reveal the exceptional value.

## Decisive Reductions in Women's Coats

Coats Worth \$17.50  
Go Thursday at only **\$9.98**

Coats Worth \$13.50  
Go Thursday at only **\$6.98**

Never have we offered two better or smarter collections. Every coat is new and has that chicness of style that is far removed from the ordinary wraps. Showing the following popular materials:

New Golfine Cords Fancy Eponge Waffle Weaves Silk Moire Shepherd Checks  
Summer Chinchillas Indefinite Plaids French Gabardines Scotch Tweeds

While service has been considered, the greatest appeal in these coats comes from the unusual lines, striking new color combinations and the clever use and combinations of the new materials. Among the fashionable colors is a splendid showing of bright and unusual shades. Coats for touring, motoring, for street and dress wear, for evening occasions and for golf links and tennis courts. COME EARLY THURSDAY—it will pay you.

## Smart Silk Dresses and Gowns

**\$9.98** Worth \$20.00

**\$18.75** Worth \$27.50 to \$39.50

Though inexpensive, they exhibit every smart, fashionable idea that has met the approval of discriminating followers of style in material, color and designing and include dresses for nearly all occasions. Such fashionable materials are shown as Crepe de Chines, Chiffon Taffetas, flowered Poplins and Crepes and fine Serges. Everything in the best quality—Pleated or fine embroidered ruffles, excellent laces, good chiffons—everything to appeal to the women of quality. ASK TO SEE THEM THURSDAY.

## Dainty Styles in the Summer Dresses

Four groups of as dainty Dresses as any woman could wish for; marked at strongly appealing low prices. In plain ratine or embroidered cotton crepe, organdie, voile or linen. In white, light blue, rose and other shades. Bolero bodice and new tunic skirt; many with Gladstone collar. Very exceptional values Thursday at.....

**\$5.98 to \$14.75**

## More of Those Crepe de Chine Blouses

**\$1.98, \$3.98 and \$4.98**

ABSOLUTELY the best blouse ever sold at these prices. They come in a wonderful variety of pretty styles with trimming of shadow laces and embroidered nets in simple and fancy models. All the newest collars—Gladstone, Cowl, Directoire or Normandy. Many with hemstitched shoulders. Charming colors—White, Maize, Peach, Flesh, Apricot, Orange, Absinthe and Ocean Blue.

## THE ALWAYS BUSY STORE

**Grossman's**  
Smart Clothes

414 15-TH STREET

WOMEN, MISSES & GIRLS.

TRADE AT HEADQUARTERS—IT'S SAFE

## 3000 New Lingerie Blouses

98c, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98

THE smartest of new models, many of them are copies, reproductions and adaptations of the latest Paris novelties, featuring the new color effects, the pictures of frills, the fine lace trimmings and the effected finishing touches that give to the blouse of the season its manifold charms. More than one hundred distinct models in cotton crepes, dainty batiste and fine lawn.



Stunning  
Separate Skirts  
**\$2.98 to \$9.98**

A striking demonstration of the skirt fashions is afforded by this Thursday sale. Skirts of faille cloth Poplins, Shepherd Checks, Gabardines, Serges and Plaids. All the latest models, including single Russian tunic styles. Nowhere else will you be able to obtain such effects, cut or fit at \$2.98 to \$9.98.

## Northcott in Parting Message to the M. W. A.

In response to the address of welcome by Mayor H. M. Schriver today in the state camp of the Woodmen, W. A. Northcott former head consul and now retiring as state consul, gave his parting official message to the members of the society. He said:

"It affords me great pleasure to respond to the address of welcome delivered by the mayor on behalf of this beautiful city of Rock Island. This splendid community of the tri-city, sitting here on the banks of the Mississippi river, is typical of the people in this great valley. This river is greater than the Euphrates or the Ganges; greater than the Nile, upon whose fertile banks stood the old pyramids, grand, gloomy and peculiar; greater than the Tiber that flowed by the homes of the Caesars; greater than the Rhine, in whose valley contended the Teuton and the Gaul for the supremacy of Europe; greater than the Thames, that bears the commerce of the world; greater than all these because it flows by the homes of free men and free women. Nowhere else under the sun can be found greater people than those that live here in the Mississippi valley. Here intelligence, the means of living, and culture are distributed amongst the masses of our people as nowhere else in all the world or in all the world's history.

Society of the People.  
"The Modern Woodmen of America is an organization worthy to be welcomed by the representatives of the people. It is a society of the people, for the people, and by the people. It represents in the highest degree a representative form of government. The local camps send their delegates to the county camp and from the county

our cities; I see its banners lit by the sun; I hear its songs, its splendid orations, its ritualistic ceremonies; and, above all, I see that splendid army of a million of the flower of America's manhood. I was a part of all this. I helped make it. I helped to bring it about. I am getting to be an old man, and in looking back across the years I know that the greatest work of my life is the work I did in connection with this splendid society. It was my high privilege to give it the very best of my life, the strength of my manhood, the most loyal devotion, and it is the pride of my heart. When, broken down in health and in fortune, more than 10 years ago I gave up this work, I felt at that time that the greatest of my life's work had ended and that it only remained for me to do that which came to hand in the support of myself and my family.

"Standing before you today, with all of that great past behind me, I can look back and every one of you in the eye and with a hand uplifted I can register a solemn oath that never did one penny cross my hand that did not belong to me; never did I rob this society of a single cent; never did I do one act that I did not believe for the welfare of this great society that has been my most cherished work.

"I know that this is my last short day in court and that soon another will take this gavel and wield the power of this office. I promise you that as long as I preside over the deliberations of this camp that a fair roll call shall be had on every proposition, and after you have settled the matter of credentials and elected my successor, I will turn over to him the gavel, bowing to the will of the majority here assembled and ready to do its bidding.

Helps Sacred Trust.

"I charge you delegates here assembled not to overlook the fact that this great society has obligations to widows and orphans amounting to over fifteen

hundred million dollars. This is a most sacred trust. The cooperation of men is a wonderful thing. The spirit of cooperation brought about free governments. In the olden times the kings ruled and the few were rich and powerful and the many were slaves. Then this spirit of cooperation came amongst men and they joined hands and worked together in building great governments for a free people. So the fraternal societies came in existence and men joined hands to nurse the sick, bury the dead, give a drink of water to those who were athirst, to feed the hungry and clothe the naked, and this band of brotherhood formed the greatest cooperative system in all the world's history. This brotherhood made a promise to pay to the beneficiaries of deceased members a certain sum of money, and the question now before this great jurisdiction is shall that sacred trust be honestly fulfilled. All the song, and music, and oratory, and flags, and marching will not solve this business proposition. It is no time for me to discuss a controverted question. In this response to this address of welcome it would be entirely improper for me to discuss the question of rates. I only want to add one word and then I am done.

Has Been Candid.

"A neighbor in Wisconsin wrote me a short letter saying, 'how does it feel to be hated and detested by more than a million of neighbors and their families who once loved and revered you?' I answered just as briefly, as follows: 'Knowing that our present rates will bring disaster upon our beloved society and knowing that the Chicago rates are the lowest rates that will preserve it, I would be a coward if I did not stand by the Chicago rates.' In conclusion I say to you now that my position on this question has been honestly taken with the best light I have after a quarter of a century of experience. I want to say to you that

while you may honestly differ with me on this question, you must all concede to me the right of my opinion and I think you will all agree that I have been consistent and fearless in maintaining that while I believe to be right. "And now, neighbors, let us proceed with the deliberations of this camp in a neighborly spirit. Free speech is that which preserves free government. Without a free speech and free ballot, free government cannot endure. Tyranny always follows a denial of the rights of every man to express his opinion publicly and freely, and this right belongs to everyone here today. So let your deliberations be in that spirit of fairness and after these matters have been discussed, let the roll be called and let the majority prevail."

If silver is to be stored away for some time, pack it with dry flour; it will remain untarnished.

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ness,  
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Morphine,  
and other Drug Using, the Tobacco Habit and  
Nervousness. Correspondence strictly confidential.  
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We repair, or  
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Do not wait  
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